this regard and the action proposed to be taken against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRIMATI RATNMALA D. SAVANOOR): (a) to (c) The Normal Plan Assistance by Central Government for State Plans is formula based and is given in the form of Block Loans/Grants and is not linked to any specific projects. Only Special Category States are permitted to use upto 20% of normal plan assistance for meeting their non-plan gap. Special central assistance is also being provided to the States for basic minimum services (BMS) and Area Development Programmes but these also generally not linked to any particular project. Central assistance is also being provided for Accelerated Irrigation Benefit Programme (AIBP) which is project based and linked to matching share by State Government. The implementation of AIBP including sanctioning the irrigation projects, release of funds etc., is being carried out by the concerned administrative Ministry.

Central Assistance is also provided for Centrally Sponsored Schemes (CSS) which is linked to State's contribution unless it is 100% Centrally Sponsored Scheme and is released by various Central Ministries/Departments depending on their implementation. The expenditure on these projects/schemes are monitored by the concerned ministries and not by the Planning Commission.

Illegal Areas Occupied by China

- *12. SHRI P. NAMGYAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) the total area of India (in sq. kms.) illegally occupied by China, State-wise and Sector-wise;
- (b) whether a Menser village of Ladakh in Jammu and Kashmir with sizable population is situated well inside Western Tibet on the northern or north-west side of the holy Kailash Prabhat;
- (c) if so, whether the Government have raised the issue of Menser village with the Chinese counterparts in their many talks held in the past; and
 - (d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHRI I.K. GUJRAL): (a) The area under occupation by China in Jammu & Kashmir is approximately 38,000 sq. kms. In addition under the so called Sino-Pakistan boundary agreement of 1963, Pakistan illegally ceded approximately 5,120 sq. kms of Indian territory in Pakistan Occupied Kashmir to China.

- (b) and (c) During the India-China Officials level talks on the Boundary Question in 1960, Minsar village was referred to by the two sides. The location of this village was then described as being approximately 200 kms. from Ladakh and on the route to Mansarovar.
 - (d) Does not arise.

Role of Planning Commission

- *13. SHRI SUNDAR LAL PATWA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:
- (a) whether the Union Government propose to confine the role of Planning Commission to a few sectors of activities that require detailed planning and delegate the responsibility of power for planning in regard to the remaining sectors to Central Ministries and States:
 - (b) if so, the details thereof; and
 - (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRIMATI RATNMALA D. SAVANOOR): (a) to (c) The role of Planning Commission continue to remain same as given in the Resolution of the Cabinet Secretariat dated the 15th March, 1950 setting up the Planning Commission. However, the Approach Paper to the Ninth Plan envisage formulation and implementation of the Ninth Plan in the spirit of Cooperative Federalism which inter-alia include greater role for the States in the formulation as well as implementation of the Plan schemes. The Approach Paper also envisage preparation of detailed sectoral Plans for certain sectors like power, selected medium and major irrigation projects, critical communication and agricultural development and infrastructure etc.

[Translation]

Computerisation of Employment Exchanges

*14. SHRI VISHVESHWAR BHAGAT:

SHRI MAHESH KUMAR M. KANODIA:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of employment exchanges in the country, State-wise;
- (b) the number of computerised employment exchanges in the country, State-wise;
- (c) whether the Government propose to make computerisation of employment exchanges a centrally sponsored scheme during the Ninth Five Year Plan;
 - (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to improve the overall functioning of the employment exchanges in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR): (a) and (b) The State-wise number of Employment Exchanges in the country and the number of Employment Exchanges which are computerised, upto 1992 is given in the attached Statement.

(c) to (e) As per the decision of the National Development Council (NDC), the Centrally Sponsored Scheme